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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Toshiharu ITO

Title: MODULE FOR AMPLIFYING SIGNAL LIGHT WITH REMOTE
EXCITATION-LIGHT AND OPTICAL-FIBER COMMUNICATION
SYSTEM INCLUDING THE SAME

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REPLY TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 14, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Species I, relating to claims 1-9, 24, 28, 31(3;4), 32 and 36, for prosecution in the subject application.

Applicant, of course, reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the non-elected subject matter and/or to receive consideration of claims to additional species as provided by 37 C.F.R. §1.141 and M.P.E.P. §821.04 (rejoinder).

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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